



Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Group Art Unit 2853, Expedited Procedure

03500.015739.

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: Lam S. Nguyen
NOBUYUKI MATSUMOTO, ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2853
Application No.: 09/944,137	)	
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Filed: September 4, 2001	)	
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For: LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD,	)	
LIQUID DISCHARGE APPARATUS,	:	
VALVE PROTECTION METHOD	)	
OF THE SAME LIQUID	:	
DISCHARGE HEAD	)	
MAINTENANCE SYSTEM	:	June 4, 2004

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In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The claim changes are reflected in the listing that begins at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 4.